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CERAMIC ARTICLE, CARRIER FOR CATALYST, METHODS FOR

PRODUCTION THEREOF, CATALYST FOR PRODUCING

ETHYLENE OXIDE USING THE CARRIER, AND METHOD FOR

PRODUCING ETHYLENE OXIDE

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

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